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SUBJECT: MILLENIUM CHALLENGE ACCOUNT COUNTRY DATA, MALDIVES

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¶1. The Embassy received a fax from the Department of External Resources of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Maldives responding to our request for data required for the Millennium Challenge Account. All figures are in millions of Maldives Rufiyaa. Data within parenthesis indicate deficits. Data for 2000 and 2001 are actuals. Data for 2002 are provisional. The data reported by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs match closely with data reported in the Statistical Appendix issued with the IMF Staff Report for Maldives for 2002.

¶2. Overall budget balance including grants:

2000: Rf (321.5)

2001: Rf (363.3)

2002: Rf (595.6)

Post observation: The comparable figure for 1999 is Rf. (281.1)

¶3. Total Government expenditure on health:

2000: Rf 299.2

2001: Rf 300.8

2002: Rf 314.9

Post observation: The comparable figure for 1999 is Rf 259.4

4a. Total government expenditure on education (includes pre-primary, primary, secondary, tertiary and other):

2000: Rf 541.2

2001: Rf 515.6

2002: Rf 589.8

Post observation: The comparable figure for 1999 is Rf 450.8.

4b. Expenditure on pre-primary, primary and secondary education is as follows:

2000: Rf 366.7

2001: Rf 372.9

2002: Rf 333.8

¶5. Nominal GDP (in millions of Rufiyaa):

1999: Rf 6,935

2000: Rf 7,348

2001: Rf 7,651 (Provisional estimate)

2002: Rf 7,906 (Budget estimate)

Source for GDP: IMF, Maldives-Statistical Appendix issued on December 18, 2002.

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